



# Lancaster Journal

BY WILLIAM HAMILTON, LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA.

"We are all Republicans—we are all Federalists: We have yet gained little, if we countenance a political intolerance, as despotic as wicked, and capable of bitter and bloody persecutions."—JEFFERSON.

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**TO BE LET**

And immediate possession given, the whole or any part of that commodious and elegant large brick house and lot of ground, with the appurtenances, consisting of an elegant new kitchen, a new store house and shed; on the south side of East King street in the borough of Lancaster adjoining lots of Benjamin Heitz, Henry Greider. Said house and other buildings will accommodate any person to carry on a public house, store, or any kind of manufactory.

CHRISTOPHER HEAGER. 17th—September 23.

**A New Work.**

**JUST RECEIVED,**

AND FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE,

Price, single. 62½ cents; and a large allowance to those who buy a quantity,

**The Private Life of Washington,**

Illustrated and enlivened with original and valuable anecdotes—

BY M. L. WEEMS,

Formerly minister of Washington's Parish.

**LAST NOTICE.**

ALL persons indebted to the estate of James Thompson, late of West-Fallowfield township, Chester county, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment; and those who have demands against said estate, are desired to produce them to the subscribers for payment.

ROBERT THOMPSON, } Adm'rs.  
ANDREW THOMPSON, }

January 6. 32—8q.

**TO BE LET,**

With or without the stable or garden, The convenient two story House belonging to the subscriber, situated in south Queen street, nearly opposite the Friends Meeting House, and now in the tenure of John Ash. Possession may be had on the first of April. For terms apply to

GEORGE BRUNGARD,  
North Queen Street.  
Feb. 3, 36.

ALL persons from whom fees of office are due to the subscriber, as late prothonotary, &c. are requested to make immediate payment thereof to him, or to Mr. Passmore, the present prothonotary, or to Mr. Sheriff Reigart.

In consequence of his removal, by the present chief magistrate of the state, from the public station which he lately held, the subscriber deems it not improper thus to make known, that he has resumed the practice of the law.

During the last nine years, he held the offices of Prothonotary of the court of common pleas and clerk of the session—and, in the latter part of that period, the clerkship of the orphans' court,—for the county of Lancaster: He is conscious of having discharged the duties of these offices with acknowledged fidelity and attention. His pursuits being now directed to the several departments of a counsel's and attorney's employment (including the business of conveyancing,) it is his determination to devote himself, with equal application and care, to the duties of his profession.

WILLIAM BARTON.  
Lancaster, Feb. 9, 1809. 37—tf.

**TO BE LET.**

A convenient back building, suitable for a school room or small family. It is situated near the Court House. Immediate possession may be had.

Enquire of the printer.  
Nov. 11. 24—tf.

**JUST PUBLISHED.**

And for Sale at this Office, price one dollar,

A JOURNAL  
Of the Voyages and Travels of a Corps of Discovery,

Under the command of Capt. Lewis and Capt. Clarke of the army of the United States from the mouth of the Missouri through the interior parts of North America to the Pacific ocean, during the years 1804, 1805 and 1806.

Containing an authentic relation of the most interesting transactions during the expedition.—A description of the country.—And an account of its inhabitants, soil, climate, curiosities and vegetables and animal productions.

BY PATRICK GASS,  
One of the persons employed in the expedition.

With Geographical and Explanatory notes.

A fresh supply of above work, has been lately received at this OFFICE.

**EPAULET MANUFACTORY.**

Epaulets Manufactured OF ANY SIZE OR QUALITY.

Lancaster  
**JEWELRY, TORTOISE-SHELL COMBS.**

Also, a complete assortment of Violins, Flutes, Clarinets, and music for various instruments; which he will dispose of on the most reasonable terms, by

FREDERICK REINART,  
West King-street, five doors below the sign of the Cross Keys, who also has for sale a large and general assortment of

**DRY GOODS,**

Muslins and Laces, Damstables, Splish-straws, and Luginhorn Bannets, With all sorts of Trimmings for them.  
February 12 1808. 37—

**ADVERTISEMENT.**

FOR SALE, that valuable plantation long known by the name of Jacob Swamp's. There is about 300 acres in the survey; with allowance; about 100 acres cleared, about 14 of which is excellent meadow, and a quantity more may be made. There is an excellent apple and peach orchard, with a number of cherry trees. The place is well watered and lays convenient to the public road leading to Washington and Wheeling, and within two miles of two merchant mills. Any person willing to purchase, may know the terms by applying to Wm. Flinn living in Mount Pleasant, or James M'Kain, on the Washington road, 12 miles East of Bird's Ferry.

Wm. FLINN,  
JAMES M'KAIN.  
Dec. 25, 1808. 30—tf q

**NOTICE.**

THE subscriber being duly authorized to collect the arrears of quit rent due by the inhabitants residing and others holding lands in the Manor of Conestogoe, informs them that he has waited long in hopes that they would come forward and discharge the same—but being disappointed, he now gives this public notice, that those who do not discharge the same at his house in the borough of Lancaster, on or before the first day of March next, will be proceeded against according to law without respect to persons. Those who wish to purchase out the quit rent, will be dealt with upon reasonable terms.

ALEXANDER SCOTT,  
Attorney for the Heirs of the late Proprietaries Jno. Penn & Rich'd Penn.  
January 19th, 1809. 34—tbcml

**WESLEY'S PHILOSOPHY PROPOSALS**

By William Hamilton of Lancaster, Pennsylvania,

FOR PUBLISHING BY SUBSCRIPTION

A SURVEY OF THE WISDOM OF GOD IN THE CREATION; OR A COMPENDIUM OF NATURAL PHILOSOPHY.

BY JOHN WESLEY, A. M

FROM THE FOURTH LONDON EDITION.

"These are thy glorious works, Parent of Good, Almighty! Thine this universal frame, Thus wondrous fair! Thyself how wondrous then!"

**COADITION'S.**

- The work will be published in three large octavo volumes, in boards.
- The price of the work will be six dollars—half a dollar to be paid at the time of subscribing—two dollars at the delivery of the first volume—two dollars on delivery of the second, and one dollar and an half on delivery of the third volume.
- The work will be put to press as soon as 500 subscribers are procured.
- The first volume will be published in two months after it is put to press, and the other volumes, in succession, about the same distance of time.

THE character of the late learned and pious Mr. Wesley is so well known as to render any comment totally unnecessary. It may be proper, however, to observe, that in the devotion of a whole life to the good of mankind, the work for which we now solicit the public patronage, was among his most interesting and valuable labors. It is indeed a library in itself,—comprehensively embracing nearly the whole history of animated nature; and displaying, in a style peculiarly instructive and agreeable, the wisdom, the power, and the goodness of Omnipotence

**Dancing SCHOOL.**

Mr. BOUDET

RESPECTFULLY acquaints the Ladies and Gentlemen of Lancaster, that on account of the season being considerably advanced, he will receive pupils at the reduced price of TWO DOLLARS per month, without entrance money.

Days of tuition, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

Pursuant to an order of the Orphans Court for the county of Chester and state of Pennsylvania, will be sold at public sale on the premises on the 7th day of March next, to the highest bidder: A valuable Plantation, containing 250 acres, situate in the township of West Cain in said county, late the estate of Margaret Dawson, deceased; bounded by lands of John Porter, Richard White, Samuel Boyle and others—on said premises are a large stone house, a convenient barn, a good spring and house over it near the door. More than one half of said tract is well covered with good timber; 12 acres of watered meadow and more may be made at a small expense—it is one mile north of the Philadelphia and Lancaster Turnpike road, opposite the 40 mile stone. This tract is well watered and divided into convenient fields: As it is presumed the person inclining to purchase will view the premises, it will be shewn them by Jane Dawson living thereon—the terms of payment will be one third of the purchase money at the time of sale, and the remainder in two equal annual payments with interest. Sale to begin at 1 o'clock, P. M. Attendance will be given by

ROBERT MILLER, Adm'r.  
Feb. 17th, 1809. 38—3t

**GERMAN AND ENGLISH LANGUAGES. Proposals,**

By HAMILTON & EHRENFRIED, of Lancaster, (Penn.)

For publishing, by subscription, in one large OCTAVO VOLUME, A COMPLETE ENGLISH-GERMAN & GERMAN-ENGLISH DICTIONARY;

In which the meaning of every English word will be explained in German, and every German word will be explained in English.

There will be prefixed, PRINCIPLES OF PRONUNCIATION AND A PROSODIAL GRAMMAR, Calculated to make the work superior to any Dictionary of the kind ever published.

Many aberrations from the German mother tongue, which are common in America, will be explained, without injury to the original text.

The price of the work will be six dollars bound in pasteboard, or six dollars and an half, in leather, gilt and lettered. No money to be paid until the work is ready for delivery.

Persons subscribing for twelve copies, or who collect twelve subscribers, and be responsible for the payment, shall have the thirteenth copy gratis.

It is scarcely necessary to make any remarks on the importance of the proposed work. The prevalence of the German language in many parts of the United States should alone form a powerful inducement for men in every situation of life to become, at least partially acquainted with it. In Pennsylvania, New-York Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina, in almost every city, town and village,—on the summit of the Alleghany and the wilds of Kentucky, as well as in the richest gardens of America,—Wherever the traveler plods his variegated way,—he can partake of the homespun hospitality of the honest and industrious German. What an additional gratification it must be to address him in the language he best understands—perhaps the only one he has ever known!

To the man of business, a knowledge of the German Tongue is of the first importance.

To the man of reading it affords a rich fund of literary recompense. Within the last fifty years "the German language has been purified and cultivated with a zealous care," and numerous works of taste and elegance, as well as superior productions in the different walks of science have graced the world of letters. The names of Klopstock, (the German Milton,) of Schiller, Rabener and Gellert,—f Weiland, Mesner and Geser, stand high on the rolls of literary fame, and have blended innumerable beauties with the most moral and instructive composition.

In this country the principal obstacles to an expeditious and correct acquirement of the German language, have been the want of a suitable dictionary and prosodial grammar. The dictionaries received from Europe are generally imperfect, not well adapted to the purposes of education and are considerably higher in price than the work we now offer to the patronage of the public.

The work will be put to press as soon as a thousand subscribers are procured, and not before.

Printers in all parts of the union, wishing to encourage a proper cultivation of the German and English languages: will do us a particular favour by receiving subscriptions and publishing in their respective papers a short extract of the foregoing proposals, which will be thankfully acknowledged and a like favour returned with pleasure.

**Parchment and Paper Deeds ELEGANTLY PRINTED ON A SCRIPT TYPE, FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.**

**SPECTACLE MANUFACTORY.**

ISAAC MARTIN, INFORMS the inhabitants of Lancaster that he has taken his former lodgings at Mr. SLAYMAKER'S tavern, and returns his thanks to the public for their patronage on a former occasion.

He has for sale, Spectacles of the first quality, mounted with Silver, Tortoise-shell and Steel.

N. B. He has also for sale, a handsome assortment of Jewely.  
January 6 1809. 32—tf.

**BY AUTHORITY.**

THE managers of the Lutheran church lottery in the village of Strasburg, in the county of Lancaster have been induced to believe, that by altering the scheme so as to require less money for tickets at the time of sale, that they will thereby be enabled to dispose of them quicker, and therefore offer the following, in which there are no blanks, and only two and an half dollars will be demanded for a ticket, and the remainder taken out of the prize.—This scheme was submitted to the Governor on the 7th December, 1808, and approved.

It is expected that those who have purchased under the former scheme, will, in this, double the number, as no more money is required, for two tickets in this, than for one in the former, and those who do not come forward to select their tickets, shall have them marked for them by the managers previous to the drawing.

**SCHEDULE.**

To raise by way of lottery a sum of money to defray the expence incurred by the Trustees of the Lutheran Congregation, in and near the village of Strasburg, in the county of Lancaster.

6000 Tickets at 5 Dollars, each, one half to be paid in hand, the other half to be taken out of the price. § 30,000.

1 Prize of	\$ 2000	\$ 2000
1 do	1000	1000
3 do	100	300
20 do	60	1200
25 do	50	1250
50 do	30	1500
300 do	10	3000
5600 do	\$ 3 - 25	18200

6000

The first of the 3 last drawn tickets,	300
The second, do,	do 300
The third, do	do 300
The fourth, do	do 300
The last drawn,	do 350

Prizes subject to a deduction of 20 per cent.

The prizes will be paid within thirty days after the drawing of the lottery.

Prizes not demanded within twelve months will be considered as relinquished for the benefit of the Church.

William D. Duffield  
James Whitehill,  
J. Harr,  
Isaac Burrows,  
Abraham Hooper,  
Jacob Barr,  
John Barr,  
Nathl. W. Sample, Junr.  
Moses Honor,  
George Withers,  
Michael Withers.  
January 13, 1809.

To be sold at Private Sale, A LOT of ground situated in the village of Maytown, Donegal township, in the county of Lancaster, on which are erected a good frame house and kitchen, with a cellar under the whole. It is a corner lot, fronting the main street. Possession may be had on the first day of April next. An indisputable title will be given by

JOHN WARNER.  
January 6.

**TO LET.**

TWO or three convenient rooms in North Queen-street, in the second square from the Court-house. For further information, enquire at this office.  
January 6. 32.

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**BUILDING A LIBRARY**

This Lancaster Journal front page from Feb. 24, 1809, has an unusually large focus on the publishing of books. For example, "The Private Life of Washington" by M.L. Weems, was sold from the newspaper offices. A bestseller in its day, this book is best known to modern readers as the source of many apocryphal tales of the nation's first president, including the story of the cherry tree. The work was intended to be less of a historical record and more a source of moral instruction for the nation's youth.

**EARLY CROWDSOURCING, PART 1**

The Kickstarter funding model - in which a product is proposed, customers pay for it in advance, and it is produced only when a certain funding goal is met - might be common in today's world, but the concept far preceded the internet. For example, this page includes an offer from Journal publisher William Hamilton to publish a bound collection of the writings of John Wesley, founder of the Methodist faith, who died the previous decade. The \$6 book was to be published only when 500 orders had been placed.

**EARLY CROWDSOURCING, PART 2**

Another example of early crowdsourcing appears in the next column. This one is an offer from publishers Hamilton & Ehrenfried to print a complete English-German and German-English dictionary, including a guide to pronunciation and grammar. The book was to cost \$6 if bound in pasteboard, \$6.50 in leather, gilt and lettered. A full thousand orders were required before production would begin. As to why such a dictionary was desirable - in addition to being "superior to any Dictionary of the kind ever published" - the publisher had this to say: "Wherever the traveler plods his variegated way, he can partake of the homespun hospitality of the honest and industrious German. What an additional gratification it must be to address him in the language he best understands - perhaps the only one he has ever known!"

**THE 1800s**

- In 1806, William Dickson, the publisher of the Intelligencer & Weekly Advertiser, was charged with libel. He continued to edit the newspaper from his jail cell.
- Throughout the decade, Lancaster native Robert Fulton was in the news. In 1800, he was commissioned by Napoleon Bonaparte to design a submarine. He produced the Nautilus, widely regarded as the first practical submarine in history. In 1807, after returning to America, Fulton launched the first commercially successful steamboat, the Clermont, which ferried passengers along the Hudson River between New York City and Albany.

